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Dear Dr. Stokes,

Thank you and the NIEHS for inviting public comment on replacing the LD-50 test with non-animal, in vitro testing methods.

I would like to voice my strong agreement for the NIEHS to begin efforts to completely replace lethal dose testing with non-animal, in vitro testing methods. The LD-50 test is cruel and unnecessary as other methods are now available must be instituted. I appreciate all your efforts to do all you can to remove the LD-50 test and utilize a more humane.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathryn J. Dybdall